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National Geographic Gives Grant for Project on Maps of Washington, D.C.

The Library of Congress and the National Geographic Society have embarked on a six-part joint project to catalog, restore, preserve, and publish the Library's incomparable collection of about 2,000 maps of Washington, D.C. Included in the collection are Pierre Charles L'Enfant's unique manuscript plan for the City of Washington prepared in 1791, as well as the earliest topographic map of the District of Columbia, other maps of the area, and site maps of original property holdings in the District of Columbia.

The goal of the joint project, which is financed in large part by a grant of $348,250 from the National Geographic Society to the Library of Congress, is to make the Library's collection of Washington, D.C., maps available to the widest possible audience.

The work will be performed over four years under the supervision of the Library's Geography and Map Division. It will culminate in 1991 with an exhibition and symposium to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the designation of the City of Washington as the nation's capital.

In addition to the original L'Enfant plan, the work of other early surveyors and planners of the city is also represented. Among the most significant are the earliest known plan of the proposed Federal City, sketched by Thomas Jefferson in early 1791; the original map of the new Federal District, compiled by Andrew Ellicott in 1791 with the assistance of Benjamin Banneker, an accomplished free black astronomer and surveyor; a manuscript map showing the Capitol and vicinity in 1815, exquisitely drafted by Benjamin Henry Latrobe, the most prominent American architect of the Capitol; nationally renowned landscape gardener Andrew Jackson Downing's design

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of the Mall in 1851; and Albert Boschke's large topographic wall map of the District of Columbia, which, completed on the eve of the Civil War, was so detailed that it was immediately confiscated by Federal authorities who feared that it might be used to guide Confederate raids on the capital.

Divided into six parts, the project should make a significant contribution to the understanding of the planning and mapping of the nation's capital.

Part I of the project is to classify and catalog all maps in the Library of Congress relating to Washington, D.C., so that they can be added to the Library's automated map database (MARC Maps). These include some 1,100 of the most significant maps relating to the history and development of the capital city. Although a preliminary listing of these maps exists, it is imperfect, difficult to use, and unpublished. This thorough cataloging project will correct any errors, make necessary additions to the catalog records, and transcribe them for inclusion in the MARC Maps database so that the information is available nationwide through OCLC, RLIN, and other national bibliographic networks. Using the complete cataloged record of the maps prepared during the first part of the project, Part II will undertake a cartobibliography of the first 800 maps of the city of Washington produced from 1790 to 1910. This encompasses the period from L'Enfant to the McMillan Commission, which sought in 1900, the 100th anniversary of the move of the capital to Washington, to re-establish L'Enfant's formal outlines of the city. Each bibliographic entry will include expanded notes and pertinent background information derived from original research that places each map in its proper historical and cartographic context. The
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Comparable institutions and organizations in other countries may arrange to receive the *Bulletin* on an exchange basis by applying in writing to the Library's Exchange and Gift Division. All other correspondence should be addressed to the LC *Information Bulletin*, Information Office, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540.

Bruce Tapper, Editor

Daniel J. Boorstin Is Honored by the Association of American Universities

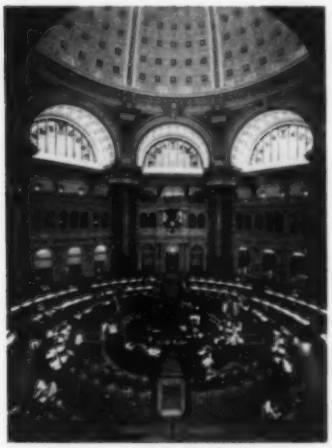
Daniel J. Boorstin, The Librarian of Congress, was honored by the Association of American Universities at its annual dinner held at the Folger Library on April 6. Dr. Boorstin was presented with a citation which read as follows: "The members, presidents, and chancellors of the Association of American Universities pay tribute to Daniel J. Boorstin for his many distinguished contributions to the life of the mind and the book. Teacher, scholar, administrator, conservator, and extender of knowledge, in every aspect of his career he has contributed by his work and by his example to the vitality of America's intellectual life and of its universities. We honor his many past accomplishments and look forward to others that are certain to follow."

The Library Welcomes The Ambassador of Nigeria

Julian Witherell (left), Ambassador Ignatius C. Olisemeka, and Beverly Gray.

His Excellency Ignatius C. Olisemeka, Ambassador of Nigeria to the United States, visited the Library of Congress on February 13. He was welcomed by Julian Witherell, chief, African and Middle Eastern Division, and Beverly Gray, head, African Section. Following a tour highlighting selected points of interest in the Jefferson Building, the ambassador visited the African Section where he received an overview of the section's activities and reference resources. Ambassador Olisemeka's scholarly interest in development studies and foreign affairs, as well as in Nigeria's foreign economic and political relations, sparked a lively discussion concerning the Library's collections in these fields.

Library Issues Poster of The Main Reading Room



The Library of Congress has just issued a striking, high-quality color poster of the historic Main Reading Room in the Thomas Jefferson Building. Reproducing the rich amber glow of this architectural treasure, the poster has the appearance of a giant color photograph, printed on coated heavy-stock paper, 20″ x 25¾″.

It is available for the very reasonable price of $3 plus $2 for shipping ($6 for shipping abroad) from the Library of Congress, Information Office, Box A, Washington, DC 20540; or in person from the sales counter, Jefferson Building.

1986 Index to LC *Information Bulletin* Is Now Available

The Library of Congress Professional Association announces the availability of the 1986 LCPA's Index to the *Library of Congress Information Bulletin.* This useful key to the *Information Bulletin* articles provides access by both name and subject to the principal activities of the Library. Included are areas such as automation, cataloging, authority control, copyright, poetry and music events, preservation, publications, symposia, and exhibitions, as well as reports from major national and international conferences. The index to the *Information Bulletin* sells for $10 per copy.

All orders must be prepaid. Foreign orders should be made in U.S. dollars, payable through a U.S. bank, and include $3 additional for postage. Orders should be mailed to the LCPA, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540.

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cartobibliography, to be published by the Library of Congress, will include an introductory essay and a substantial index.

Part III of the project is the restoration and repair of the L'Enfant plan, a major treasure of the Library of Congress. In an advanced state of deterioration when acquired by the Library of Congress in the early 20th century, the plan requires major work to prevent further loss. A first-class facsimile of the plan will be made, followed by treatment that will restore the former integrity of the map, make the paper more flexible and chemically stable, and improve the visibility of the image.

All maps and atlases relating to Washington, D.C., are to be deacidified, encapsulated, and microfilmed during Part IV of the joint project. These materials are among the most heavily used in the Geography and Map Division, and many have deteriorated badly as a result of excessive handling. This work will help to preserve the originals for future generations of scholars, while full-color microfilmed copies will make the maps and atlases available to a wider audience of interested readers.

Part V of the project is the publication of a historical atlas of maps of Washington, D.C., which will include appropriate manuscript maps from other libraries and archives. The atlas will include approximately 100 of the most significant manuscripts and printed maps associated with the planning and development of the nation's capital from 1790 to 1990, illustrating not only the history of the city but also the evolution of mapping techniques, from the surveyor's compass, plane table, and theodolite to aerial and satellite photography.

Finally, in 1991, to celebrate the completion of the project, the bicentennial of the L'Enfant plan, and the creation of the nation's capital, the Library of Congress will sponsor a major symposium and exhibition devoted to the planning and mapping of the city of Washington.

Pierre L'Enfant aptly characterized the challenge facing him in 1791 when he wrote to Secretary of State Thomas Jefferson, "To change a wilderness into a city . . . is an undertaking as vast as it is novel." Even those words underestimated the obstacles that would confront L'Enfant as he worked on the creation of his plan for the city and began to plan the buildings and public spaces that would occupy it.

Lawrence Clark Powell Lecture Is Published by the Library

A lecture by bookman Lawrence Clark Powell, sponsored by the Center for the Book and presented at the Library of Congress on April 8, 1986, has been published by the Library. In the publication, which takes its name from the title of the lecture—*Next to Mother's Milk*—Mr. Powell describes some of the books and influences that shaped his life, taking him from his boyhood home in Washington, D.C., to southern California and now to Arizona, where he lives with his wife, Fay. He also traces his connections, since 1939, with the Library of Congress. If he had a single role model, Mr. Powell notes, it would be Librarian of Congress Luther Evans, whose "energy, warmth, and democratic ways of administering" were inspirational. In the preface, Center for the Book director John Y. Cole notes that Lawrence Powell's firm belief in the power of books to educate and his "infectious love of collecting, reading, and even giving away books" makes Mr. Powell one of the "spiritual fathers" of the Center for the Book.

Next to Mother's Milk, a 25-page booklet, was designed by Ward Ritchie and printed on acid-free paper by Richard Hoffman of Van Nuys, Calif. Single copies are available upon request from the Library of Congress, Central Services Division, Washington, DC 20540.

The Center for the Book was established in 1977 to stimulate public interest in books and reading and to encourage the study of the role of the printed word in shaping society. Its program of symposia, lectures, projects, and publications is supported by tax-deductible contributions from individuals and corporations.

Library Publishes Historical Copyright Records

The Library of Congress has published *Federal Copyright Records 1790–1800,* a compilation of records from the 11 states and two Federal agencies that received copyright deposits during the first decade of America's Federal copyright law.

Compiled by Elizabeth Carter Wills and edited by James Gilreath, the volume is the result of a cooperative project between the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress and the Library's Rare Book and Special Collections Division. It includes an extensive introductory essay, "American Literature, Public Policy, and the Copyright Records before 1800," by Mr. Gilreath, who is the American history specialist in the Library's Rare Book and Special Collections Division.

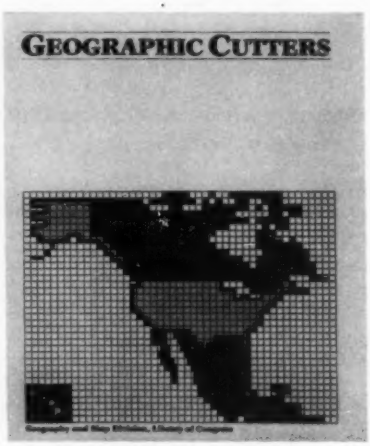
The publication of *Federal Copyright Records 1790–1800* is the first step in making available to a wide audience a long-neglected source of information about the intellectual history of the United States, and should be of particular interest to historians, biographers, and bibliographers. As John Y. Cole, director of the Center for the Book, notes in his foreword, "The early copyright records are a basic source for those attempting to understand the development of almost any aspect of American life." He added that the goal is to stimulate interest in a large-scale, cooperative project that would cover the entire 1790–1870 period."

The records are drawn primarily from source materials in the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, and are divided by state and presented in chronological order. Each entry contains both the registration from a work and the text of its title page, and users are able to visualize title pages by means of simple type designations. The overall entry format was devised to satisfy as wide a range of scholarly needs as possible within a cataloging scheme adaptable to comprehensive indexing and future automation.

The 165-page book is fully indexed and contains an appendix of key-word references to entries. Five illustrations of representative title pages and registrations are also included.

Federal Copyright Records 1790–1800 may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. The price is $13 postpaid. Please cite stock number 030-000-001844-2 when ordering.

Geographic Cutters Is Now Available in Microfiche



Geographic Cutters, a 24X microfiche publication containing Cutters for U.S. cities, counties, and regions,

has just been published by the Cataloging Distribution Service of the Library of Congress. The Cutter system refines geographic classification so that even material on a small geographic area—such as the Statue of Liberty—can be identified separately and easily located in a library's collection. Physical features, which include cultural features, such as historic buildings, and natural features, such as rivers, are also classified. Catalogers can use 32,000 Cutters listed as an extension of the *Library of Congress Classification: Class G* to classify maps with greater consistency.

Geographic Cutters was prepared by the Geography and Map Division of the Library with the aid of a resource person in each state. "The result is a cooperative project," according to Elizabeth Mangan of the Geography and Map Division. "We have developed codes that offer a consistent way to retrieve information." In MARC bibliographic records, the codes may be used in conjunction with USMARC tags 050 and 090 to classify maps; with USMARC tag 052 to code the geographic areas identified in the subject analysis of any form of materials; and with USMARC tag 033 to indicate the location where a recording or interview took place.

Geographic Cutters offers an added advantage for librarians who use the Geographic Classification Code Index in the *NUC Cartographic Materials,* The index is arranged by *Geographic Cutters,* thus looking up the Cutter first can provide a shortcut to using the index. In addition, libraries that use these Cutters to produce bibliographic records will find that when they exchange records with other libraries, they will be able easily to retrieve their records as well as those of other sharing libraries. "Using *Geographic Cutters* is the first step toward a truly national union catalog," Ms. Mangan said.

Geographic Cutters may be purchased for $35 (domestic) or $37 (foreign) from the Customer Services Section, Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20541.

José Donoso speaks at the Hispanic Writers' Seminar Series

Noted Chilean author José Donoso spoke about his literature and the sources of his writings on February 24 in the West Dining Room of the Madison Building. His presentation at the Library of Congress was part of the Hispanic Writers' Seminar Series sponsored by the Hispanic Division. In the photo on this page are John Hébert, acting chief, Hispanic Division, Library of Congress (left); Georgette Dorn, specialist in Hispanic culture, Hispanic Division; Elena Castedo, literary critic; Señor Donoso; and Efrain Kristal, professor of literature, University of Maryland.

Japanese Scientific Periodicals Union Lists Published

Gakujutsu zasshi sōgō mokuroku: Wabunhen/Monbushō Gakujutsu Kokusaikyoku [Science and International Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Education, Science, and Culture of Japan].—1985 ed., Tokyo: Maruzen, c1986. 3v. 31 cm., 9,300 yen (per vol.) ISBN 4-621-03056-6.

This 1985 edition, which has the added title of *Union List of Scientific Periodicals in the Japanese Language,* integrates into a single updated listing titles previously separated into two parts covering the "Natural sciences" (1968), and the "Humanities and social sciences" (1973). Included in this three-volume work is holdings information, as of May 1, 1983, on more than 38,000 periodicals in the collections of 623 libraries of Japanese academic institutions (national, public, and private), government agencies, public organizations, and academic societies. The one major exclusion is noted below.

Information for this edition was compiled from the database maintained at the Gakujutsu Jōhō Sentā (National Center for Science Information System) in Tokyo, which was reorganized in April 1986 from an institute of the University of Tokyo.

The periodicals included in this union list are those which, by definition, contain articles of research value (Hence the word, "scientific," in the English-language title) regardless of whether or not the titles are current, ceased, or reprinted. Entries are arranged by title in Japanese syllabary order, with bibliographic data, notes

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on title changes, ISSNs, and holdings information. In case of title changes, each successive title receives an independent entry. Cross references from other titles and issuing bodies are interfiled. No romanized or translated titles or names of issuing bodies are provided. A list of holding libraries with their addresses is provided at the end.

A companion volume has also been published, entitled, *Union List of Scientific Periodicals in European Languages* (latest edition, 1979–1980; supplement, 1982), which contains holdings information on periodicals in European languages published in other countries of the world as well as those published in Japan.

Excluded from the present edition are the holdings of the National Diet Library (NDL), for which NDL published, in 1986, *Kokuritsu Kokkai Toshokan shozō Wa zasshi mokuroku, National Diet Library Catalog of Japanese Periodicals, 1985.*

Serial Record Division and RTSD Hold Serial Cataloging Institutes

Staff members in the Library's Serial Record Division along with serial cataloging experts from various universities are participating as faculty for a series of serial cataloging institutes. The institutes, which are jointly sponsored by the Library of Congress and the Serials Section of the Resources and Technical Services Division (RTSD), American Library Association, began in May 1986 and will conclude in December 1987. Institutes were held in Minneapolis (May 1986), Pittsburgh (October 1986), and Los Angeles (February 1987); upcoming sites are Fort Worth (October 1987) and Boston (December 1987).

The institutes are intended for librarians involved in the cataloging of serials or the use of serial records. The workshops are designed to accommodate both beginning and experienced catalogers. The primary objective is to gain a better understanding of the creation, interpretation, content, format, and uses of serials cataloging records. Emphasis is placed on Library of Congress rule interpretations, the impact of AACR 2 on serials, and current developments in cooperative cataloging and record exchange.

Each institute consists of five half-day sessions spread over two and one-half days. There are three plenary sessions: "Historical Background and Review of Serials Cataloging Rules," "Standards and Standardized Practices," and the "CONSER Program." Participants select from a number of specific workshops, including "Principles of Serials Cataloging" (one workshop each for basic and advanced) and "Special Types of Serials Cataloging" (minimal level, microform, newspapers, and non-print), "Uniform Titles," "Series," "Linking Records—Variant Titles," and "Subject Access and Classification." Also given are workshops on the *"CONSER Editing Guide,"* the *"MARC Holdings and Locations Format,"* *"Users of the Serial Cataloging Record,"* and the *"National Serials Data Program."* There is also a question and answer period at the close of each institute that provides a further opportunity for participants to raise specific concerns.

The Planning Committee for the institutes consisted of three representatives from the Serial Record Division: Kimberly Dobbs, chief; Dorothy Glasby, assistant chief; and Linda Bartley, CONSER operations coordinator; and four representatives from RTSD's Serials Section: Alex Bloss, serials cataloger, University of Chicago; Rex Bross, assistant coordinator of technical services, Joyner Library, East Carolina University; Ruth Carter, technical services coordinator, University of Pittsburgh; and Jean Cook, head, serial department, Iowa State University. William Bunnell, executive director of RTSD, and Ann Menendez, program assistant, RTSD, served as staff liaisons.

Library of Congress staff members serving as faculty thus far have been: Linda Bartley; Julia Blizrud, head, National Serials Data Program Section; James Gentner, head, Serials Cataloging Section II; Dorothy Glasby, Jean Hirons, head, CONSER Minimal Level Cataloging Section; and John Levy, head, Serials Cataloging Section III. Faculty from other institutions have been: Alex Bloss; Rex Bross; Ruth Carter; John James, director of collections development and bibliographic control, Dartmouth College; Carolyn Mueller, supervisor, catalog Unit, University of Colorado; Nolan Pope, associate director for automation, University of Wisconsin, Madison; and Suzanne Streidieck, chief, Bibliographic Operations, Pennsylania State University.

The sessions have been highly rated by those who attended. Perhaps most valuable to both the participants and the faculty has been the opportunity for the exchange of information, problems, and ideas. Given the ever-changing nature of serials and serials cataloging, the importance of such an exhange cannot be overemphasized. For information on the upcoming institutes, contact Ann Menendez at ALA/RTSD.

—Jean L. Hirons

Library Publishes Guide to Information Resources in the Arts

The Library of Congress has published *Information Resources in the Arts: A Directory* in an effort to improve communications among the many different arts associ-

ations and organizations in the United States.

Compiled as a cooperative effort of the National Referral Center and the Performing Arts Library at the Library of Congress, with the advice and assistance of other arts groups, the directory identifies some 350 information-sharing organizations specializing in various aspects of the performing arts.

Each entry in the directory gives the name and address of the arts organization, its areas of interest, its publications, information services, holdings, and in many cases a contact person.

The directory is divided into seven major sections (such as Federal, State, and Local Government Agencies; National and Regional Arts Service Organizations; Arts Education Programs; Dance Organizations; and Theater Organizations) into which all the arts organizations have been grouped. Three indexes—geographic, name, and subject—provide additional aids to finding a particular organization or association.

Information Resources in the Arts is a preliminary edition of a directory intended to fill a need in the area of the arts. As an initial effort, it is neither complete nor comprehensive; at most it offers a generous sampling of the arts resources in the National Referral Center database. The Library of Congress intends to maintain the computerized database from which the directory is derived, and hopes that interested individuals and organizations will send in suggestions and modifications for expanding the coverage of future editions.

Information Resources in the Arts can be purchased in person from the Library's Information and Sales Shop for $10, or it can be ordered by mail from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

New *Science Tracer Bullets* Published

Copies of the following publications may be obtained free on request from the Science Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540. Copies have also been provided to the Superintendent of Documents for distribution to depository libraries.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Acid Rain. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB86-11). December 1986. Compiled by Pauline Hollmann, this literature guide updates TB80-13 and provides basic reference material in the collections of the Library of Congress on the nature, history, and technical aspects of the global threat of acid precipitation.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Asbestos. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB87-1). January 1987. Compiled by Joanna W. Evans, this literature guide provides basic reference material in the collections of the Library of Congress on the industrial uses of asbestos and the resultant health dangers and problems from exposure to friable asbestos.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Biological and Health Effects of Electromagnetic (Nonionizing) Radiation. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB86-5). November 1986. Compiled by Hisako Halasz, this literature guide provides basic reference material in the collections of the Library of Congress on the electromagnetic pollution generated by the recent proliferation of artificial sources of electromagnetic fields, such as microwave radio frequency radiation.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Career Opportunities in Science and Technology. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB86-10). December 1986. Compiled by Joanna W. Evans, this literature guide provides basic reference material in the collections of the Library of Congress to those who wish to investigate career possibilities and opportunities in science and technology.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Optical Disk Technology. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB96-9) October 1986. Compiled by Joanna W. Evans, this literature guide updates TB84-6 and provides basic reference material in the collections of the Library of Congress on optical disk storage systems, a technology that holds the promise of providing the densest and cheapest form of information storage to date.

Briefly Noted

☐ The services provided by George N. Atiyeh, head, Near East Section, African and Middle Eastern Division, and his staff are praised in the Kuwaiti journal, *al-Thagafah al-'Alamiyah,* issue 32, January 1987. The article, titled "Centers of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies in the United States" by Salah Hashim, mentions the Library of Congress as a major center of Islamic and Middle Eastern research, as well as the world's largest library. The Library's collections and buildings are described in the article along with a detailed description of the African and Middle Eastern Division and its Near East Section.

STAFF NEWS

Library Staff Members Explain eMail to Online Users Group

Six staff members spoke at a program about the Library's electronic mail (eMAIL) program and some of its applications on February 17.

Fran Cinotti, senior systems analyst in the Automated Systems Office (ASO), described technical and administrative aspects of eMAIL, an electronic mail package purchased from Applied Data Research (ADR), which resides both in ROSCOE and in CICS on the Library's mainframe computers. The primary advantages of using electronic mail are the ability to send one message to many persons and the ability to confirm that messages have been viewed by the receivers. Group networks can be established to fulfill administrative needs, and personal networks can be created according to an individual's needs. Folders can be created to save messages. Messages can be retained in folders specified by the user; if assigned permanent retention, and not viewed within 365 days, the message will be archived by ASO and made available only upon request. An accompanying program, eDATE, simulates a desk calendar by allowing the user to maintain schedules of meetings and appointments.

Ms. Cinotti serves as the Library's eMAIL network administrator. Jerry Saunders of ASO is the technical consultant and vendor contact, and Earl Ross, also of ASO, handles administrative aspects of eMAIL when Ms. Cinotti is not available. While ASO administers the service, it cannot make changes or enhancements to the program. Suggestions will, however, be forwarded to ADR and may be included in subsequent revisions. When new versions become available, new features as listed on eMAIL's bulletin board and new "survival guides" are made available. Department coordinators are assigned to arrange access to eMAIL, handle training, provide manuals, and answer questions. If a department does not have an eMAIL coordinator, requests should be handled through the department's automation liaison.

The speakers gave general examples of some of the many uses of eMAIL. Dawn Thompson, of the Copyright Cataloging Division and the Online Users Group (OUG) coordinating committee chair, described the OUG and Microcomputer Users Group (MUG) use of networks. OUG maintains two mailing lists: one on eMAIL and another for non-eMAIL users. Staff members with eMAIL accounts can have their names added to the OUG mailing list by sending a message to either of the OUG accounts, "Online Users Group" or "Online Usersgroup." Staff members who do not have access to eMAIL and wish to receive OUG mailings can send a written request which includes name and division to Dawn Thompson (Cop Cat), Room LM 513. Staff members who wish to be added to the MUG mailing list should send a written request which includes name and division to Joe Marsala (ASO), Room LM G51.

Oxana Horodecka, acting head of the Shelflisting Section in the Subject Cataloging Division, said that the Shelflist Services Unit of the Shelflisting Section has used eMAIL as a vehicle for answering queries about location and copy information since 1984; the unit also provides a search service for books in-process. For complete instructions for using eMAIL to contact Shelflist Services, or for special assistance, contact the Shelflist Services unit head, Mary Wright, or the assistant head, Katherine Thomas, at ext. 75788. Telephone service is still available at ext. 75790.

Linda Gainer, supervisor of the Customer Support Unit in Cataloging Distribution Service (CDS), related that in June 1986, CDS began accepting product orders via eMAIL. (Card orders are not yet available via eMAIL.) Requests should be addressed to CDS Customer Support and should include the name of the product, quantity, CDS customer account number, and name, title, telephone number, and mail stop of the recipient. Product and service questions can also be handled via eMAIL.

Catherine Croy, assistant executive officer in Management Services, described how her department is using eMAiL to streamline the communication process. eMAIL relays details such as meeting times and dates to recipients. Notification of personnel actions and other information which must be routed to administrative personnel can easily be forwarded through eMAIL, eliminating many phone calls. Scheduling meetings using eDATE prevents seemingly endless telephone contacts. Time-saving applications such as these will increase as more people get access to eMAIL and use it more frequently.

Gerald Gibson, head of Curatorial Services in Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division (M/B/RS), said that M/B/RS is home of two of the busiest eMAIL addresses. M/B/RS uses eMAIL to communicate with the Library's off-site storage facility for cellulose nitrate film in Ohio. The two locations exchange messages concerning preservation work, special handling of materials, and policy issues.

STAFF NEWS

Finn Henriksen Retires

Finn Henriksen, a senior legal specialist in the European Law Division of the Law Library, retired on May 1, after 16 years of Federal service, all with the Library of Congress.

Dr. Henriksen was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1915. His undergraduate work was in philosophy and the humanities, and he graduated *cum laude* from the University of Copenhagen School of Law in 1950. After several years as a Danish advocate, he came to the United States in 1958 where he studied and obtained an MLS degree in 1960 at the University of Washington, Seattle, and Juris Doctor degree in 1965 at the St. Louis University School of Law. In 1970 he became a citizen of the United States and was admitted to the bar in the State of Missouri.

Before coming to the Library of Congress in April 1971, Dr. Henriksen held faculty appointments at the St. Louis University School of Law, Harvard University School of Law, Kansas University School of Law, and Washington University School of Law in St. Louis. His career at the Library of Congress has been in the European Law Division of the Law Library, where he held the position of specialist in the legal systems of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. He was also one of the specialists in European Economic Community Law, International Law, and Comparative Law.

Vivian F. Coon Earns 20-Year Federal Service Award Pin

Vivian F. Coon, secretary in the Resources Analysis Section, General Reading Rooms Division, received a 20-year Federal Service Award pin in February. All of her Federal service has been with the Library of Congress.

Mrs. Coon, a native of Laurel, Md., is a graduate of Laurel High School and studied education at the University of Maryland. Mrs. Coon was a substitute teacher in Howard County, Md., before coming to the Library in 1967 as a member of the Aerospace Technology Division. During her career at the Library she has held positions in the Copyright Office, the Descriptive Cataloging Division, the Procurement and Supply Division, and the Resources Analysis Section of the National Referral Center. In 1986 her section was transferred to the General Reading Rooms Division.

Mrs. Coon received a Meritorious Service Award for her sustained exceptional performance in 1982 and an Outstanding Performance Rating in 1985 for controlling more than 20,000 pieces of correspondence.

Staff Activities

John Y. Cole, director of the Center for the Book, was the speaker on March 18 at the spring meeting

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of the Library Patrons of Occidental College in Los Angeles. On March 23 in Boston, Dr. Cole presented a talk on "The Library of Congress and its Center for the Book" at a meeting of the Bookbuilders of Boston, Inc.

Levon Avdoyan, reference specialist for Classics and Byzantine Studies in the Main Reading Room, General Reading Rooms Division, has recently published two articles: "Prolegomena to the Study of Ancient and Mediaeval Armenian History in the United States" in volume XXVII of the *Bulletin de la Société d'archéologie copte;* and "Ps. Zenob Glak and Agat'angelos: a Seventeenth Century Epitome" in volume II of *Klatzor: Armenological Review.* He also delivered a paper titled "The Armenians on Themselves: an Assessment of Mediaeval Armenian Historiographical Methodology" at the XVIIth International Byzantine Congress, which convened in Washington, D.C., this past August.

Sylvia Cooke Martin spoke at the University of Maryland, College Park, on the topic "Realizing the Fruits of Our Labor," during the first week of February and later that week she spoke at the Library of Congress on "Black Women in the Workforce." Other engagements took Mrs. Martin to Towson State University where her topic was "Ethnic Genealogy," and on February 21, she addressed teenage girls in Columbia, Md. on the "Heritage of the Black Female," On February 25 she was keynote speaker at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Md. where she spoke on "Black Women in the Workforce," a talk she delivered again at the Summer Museum Archives for District employees, on March 5. On March 7, Mrs. Martin presented a communications/conflict-resolution workshop at Morgan State University and on March 21 she discussed the "Future of Human Resource Development" at Bowie State University.

Patrick E. Dempsey, senior reference librarian, Geography and Map Division, is the author of an article titled "Townland Transfers, 1898" recently published in volume one of *Ainm: Bulletin of the Ulster Place-Name Society* (Belfast: 1986). The article deals with the transfer of 198 Irish townlands (the smallest administrative division in Ireland) from one county to another as a result of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and the difficulties these transfers caused when attempting to locate the townlands on the Irish Ordnance Survey maps published prior to 1898 and after 1898.

Enikő Molnár Basa, cataloger in the Serial Record Division, attended the joint meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association and the Southern Comparative Literature Association in Atlanta, Ga., March 20–22, in her capacity as secretary-treasurer of the latter organization. Both practical questions and scholarly topics were explored in the papers and the plenary sessions. Dr. Basa was reelected as secretary-treasurer.

On March 13, Dr. Basa presented a paper on English and Hungarian connections in the 16th and early 17th centuries, at a meeting of the Renaissance Society of America at Tempe, Ariz. The Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies was the host for the conference which featured European and North American scholars who explored topics ranging from artistic theory to regional and national Renaissance literatures, and such special approaches as printing and linguistics. Dr. Basa spoke in the section devoted to Hungary, focusing her paper on three important figures in the history of cultural contacts: Stephen Parmenius of Buda, the Hungarian poet on Sir Humphrey Gilbert's expedition to Newfoundland; Captain John Smith, who gained a patent of nobility for his valor in the Turkish wars before he set out for his colonizing ventures in the New World; and Sir Philip Sidney, who visited Hungary as a young man.

James Sayler, specialist in American national government for the Congressional Research Service's Government Division, in March appeared on the C-Span television network discussing the origins of the Federal Constitution. On the interview program, "In the Constitution," he reviewed how political, governmental, and economic events beginning at the Albany Convention of 1754 and continuing through the American Revolution and afterwards, under the Articles of Confederation led to the 1787 Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia.

Miklos K. Radvanyi, senior legal specialist in the European Law Division of the Law Library, is the author of a monograph titled *The Politics of Reform in the Soviet Union* published by the Council for Inter-American Security and the Center for Liberation Strategy, Washington, D.C.

Karl J. Crosby, a serial reference specialist with the Serial and Government Publications Division, has had an article titled, "The Research and Publication Programs of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Inc." pub-

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lished in *Government Information Quarterly*, Vol. 3, No. 4, 1986.

Gary L. Fitzpatrick, senior reference librarian in the Geography and Map Division, addressed a number of historical organizations in Hawaii, from February 19 through March 1, concerning the publication of his recent book, *The Early Mapping of Hawai'i* (Honolulu: Editions Limited, 1986; London: Routeledge & Kegan Paul, 1987). He discussed the mapping of various islands at meetings of the Kona Historical Society in Kealakekua, at the Lyman House Memorial Museum in Hilo, at the Maui Historical Society in Wailuku, and at the Kauai Historical Society in Lihue. In Honolulu, he assessed the status of cartographic scholarship pertaining to Hawaii at a meeting of the Hawaiian Historical Society, described landmark maps of the islands during a lecture at the Bishop Museum, and conducted a seminar with Hawaiian studies resource teachers in which the use of historic maps in classrooms was considered. Mr. Fitzpatrick was also interviewed on commercial and public radio talk shows and was featured on the local ABC evening news program. Prior to his visit to Hawaii, he presented an overview of his book at a February 17 meeting of the Washington Map Society. *The Early Mapping of Hawai'i* is the first in a series of cartographic histories of Hawaii.

Thomas E. Smith, head of the Circulation Section of the Loan Division, is assistant editor of the *Encyclopedia of Health Information Sources* published in January by the Gale Research Company. The 483-page reference book contains nearly 13,000 citations to publications and organizations for more than 450 health-related topics. The book is designed to give users a survey of the literature of medical and modern health care by subject and then by publication type. Among items in this latter field are abstracts, annuals, associations, bibliographies, directories, online databases, periodicals, research centers, and textbooks.

Louis Fisher, specialist in the Government Division of the Congressional Research Service, participated in two recent conferences on constitutional issues. He was the initial speaker in a day-long conference devoted to the Iran/Contra affair, held at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pa., on March 4, speaking on "The President vs. Congress in Foreign Policy." On March 5, Dr. Fisher was the speaker at a continuing lecture series sponsored by the George Mason Center for the Study of Constitutional Rights. His speech, "The Allocation of Powers: The Framers' Intent," was given at the Lyceum in Alexandria, Va.

Melinda K. Goodrich, a researcher and translator in the Federal Research Division, will serve as an exhibit guide for "Information USA—Linking Peoples and Knowledge," the U.S. Information Agency's new cultural exchange exhibition for the U.S.S.R. This exhibition, which will open in Moscow on June 4, is a major component of the U.S.-U.S.S.R. agreement signed in Geneva in November 1985, and will be the first official exhibition exchanged between the two countries since 1979. Ms. Goodrich will be one of 24 Russian-speaking American guides from a variety of backgrounds from across the United States. Three sets of guides, serving in three cities each, will accompany the exhibition on its 18-month tour. The guides will explain complicated processes, demonstrate equipment, and answer visitors' questions about American life.

The theme of the exhibition is the communication and information revolution and its effect on every aspect of life. Soviet visitors will learn how Americans benefit from communication technology and information systems in our schools, communities, offices, farms, factories, cultural and recreational pursuits, health-care facilities, and in homes. The exhibit will be shown in Moscow, Kiev, Rostov-On-Don, Tiblisi, Tashkent, Irkutsk, Minsk, Leningrad, and a ninth city yet to be named.

John Hébert, acting chief, Hispanic Division, participated in a colloquium on the development of Latin American research collections. The meeting was hosted by the Boeckmann Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies, University of Southern California Library, on March 19 and 20.

Charles H. Whittier, specialist in religion and public policy, Congressional Research Service, participated in a two-day conference at the University of Maryland, May 1–2, on "Transforming Faith: The Sacred and Secular in Modern American History," sponsored by the Department of History at the University. He served as a respondent at the second session, "The Religious Basis of the Secular," commenting on papers titled "King Tut and the Scopes Trial," "Psychodivinity: The Encounter of Religion and Psychiatry," and "God and Jimmy Carter."

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Tuesday, May 26

☐ "Columbus, Cabot, and Harrisse: Facts and Fallacies about the Discovery of America," Rosemary Fry Plakas, American history specialist, Rare Book and Special Collections Division. LC Professional Association (LCPA). Room LM 642, 12:10 p.m. **For members and staff.**

Wednesday, May 27

☐ "The Berne Convention," Ralph Oman, Register of Copyrights. LCPA. Mumford Room, 12 noon. **For members and staff.**

Thursday, May 28

☐ "The Annual White House News Photographers' Association Exhibit" opens. Ground floor, Jefferson Building. Continues through October 25.

☐ "Managing and Motivating Change," Peter Young, chief, Copyright Cataloging. LCPA. Room LM 403, 12:10 p.m. **For members and staff.**

Tuesday, June 2

☐ "Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service: The Mediation process," John Wagner, mediator, FMCS. Mumford Room, 10:30 a.m. **For supervisors and managers.**

Events are open to the public unless otherwise specified.

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